

# MONTHLY PRAYERS FOR FAMILIES

# November

## A Prayer for Thanksgiving Day

You may wish to begin by singing a familiar refrain or hymn of thanksgiving, such as: “God Is So Good,” “Now Thank We All Our God,” or “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow.”

Then lead the following prayer, adapted from the Collect of the Mass for Thanksgiving Day.

Father all-powerful,  
your gifts of love are countless  
and your goodness is unending.

As we stand before you on Thanksgiving Day,  
grateful for your kindness,  
open our hearts to the needs  
of every man, woman, and child,  
so that we may share your gifts in loving service.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

Before or after dinner, invite family members to write down all that they are thankful for. Post their lists where everyone in the family can see the gifts that God has given you and your family. Give thanks and praise to God!

